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ALVAR AALTO

Rare high back chair, model 402

Oy Huonekalu-ja Rakennustyötehdas AB | Finland, 1932 | laminated beech, steam bent and lacquered plywood, canvas

38½ h × 24 w × 36½ d in (98 × 61 × 93 cm)

Production of the plywood high back chair only lasted a few years therefore few examples are known. There is some variation in the details of the works from the period; one example was included in the prestigious *Nordic Building Day* exhibition of 1932.

Provenance: Private Collection of Eeva Musacchia, Florida

Literature: *Alvar & Aino Aalto Design: Collection Bischofberger*, Kellein, ppg. 48-49 *Bent Wood and Metal Furniture: 1850-1946*, Ostergard, pg. 162 *Portrait d'une collection: Alexander von Vegesack*, Jousset and Posch, ppg. 40-41 illustrate related form *Pohjoismaiset Rakennuspaivar Nordisk Byggnadsdag 1932*, exhibition catalog, pg. 205

Estimate: \$20,000–30,000

Result: \$40,000

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